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LIST OF SYMBOLS

SYMBOL	DEFINITION	UNITS
ь	Wing Span	ft
C.G.	Center of Gravity	
С	Mean Geometric Chord	ft
CL	Lift Coefficient	
Cm	Pitching Moment Derivative	/rad
Des	Desired, Design	
EHA	Electrohydrostatic Actuator	
Ixx, Iyy, Izz	Moment of Inertia	Slug ft2
K	Gain	
L,M,N	Dimensional Derivative of Moment Variati	on
P	Roll Rate	1/sec
P.dot	Roll Acceleration	1/sec²
q	Dynamic Pressure	psf
S	Surface Area	ft ²
SSSA	Separate Surface Stability Augmentation	
Т	Time Constant	sec
t	Time	sec
U1	Velocity	fps
Xac	Aerodynamic Center location	
Xcg	Center of Gravity Location	
У	Moment Arm	in
Y	Dimensional Derivative of Side Force Var	iation
Z	Dimensional Derivative of Zs Force Varia	tion

Greek Symbols

α	Angle of Attack	deg, rad
δ `	Deflection Angle	deg, rad
N	Eta, Efficiency	
τ_{ϵ}	Elevator Effectiveness	
σ	Gust Speed	fps
ω_n	Frequency	rad/sec
3	Zeta, Damping Ratio	

Subscripts

D	Dutch-Roll	
E	Elevator	
Н	Horizontal Tail	
q	Pitch Rate	/sec
r	Yaw Rate	/sec
R	Rudder	
SP	Short Period	
V	Vertical Tail	

1. INTRODUCTION

is the sixth in a series of seven reports required partial fulfillment of the requirements of NASA Grant NGT-The first report (Reference 1) presented the results of the Class I design for the Family of Commuter Airplanes. report (Reference 2) determined the preliminary structure designs and weight penalties due to commonality for Family of Commuter Airplanes. The third report (Reference presented the structural component designs common to the 3) Family of Commuter Airplanes. The fourth report (Reference 4) contained the methodology and results of a cost analysis for Family of Commuter Airplanes. The fifth report (Reference 5) presented a study of advanced prop fans for the Family of Commuter Airplanes. The seventh report (Reference 6) contains the Class II design update for the Family of Commuter Airplanes.

This report contains the methodology and results for a flight control design and implementation for common handling qualities by Separate Surface Stability Augmentation (SSSA) for the Family of Commuter Airplanes.

Chapter 2 will present the open and closed loop dynamics and the design results of augmenting for common handling qualities.

Chapter 3 will present the physical and technology requirements for implementing the SSSA system.

Chapter 4 will discuss the conclusions of this report and recommendations for changes or improvement.

1.1 Background History

The Separate Surface Stability Augmentation (SSSA) concept was first implemented on a general aviation airplane by Donald J. Collins and Willard R. Bolton, JR. as the requirements for their doctoral thesis (References 7, 8).

This SSSA system was originally designed to improve undesirable lateral-directional handling in approach and cruise flight conditions and poor ride qualities in turbulence speeds. This improvement in handling and ride qualities was to be gained without the mechanical feedback to inherent with traditional pilot that was stability augmentation (Reference 8). The systems system WAS dividing the normal control surface into two implemented by surfaces. The larger surface was the new primary control connected to the pilot's controls in the was conventional manner. smaller surface, the SSSA surface, The driven by electric actuators whose signals were sent by a The computer, in turn, derived its signals from the computer. gyroscopes and from pilot commands through the pilot this way, the SSSA surfaces were not connected controls. In directly to the pilot's controls and a force feedback from the SSSA system was not transmitted to the pilot (Reference 7).

1.2 Incorporating Flight Control Design and Handling Quality Commonality

In order to achieve the desired commonality goals for this Family of Commuter Airplanes, it was necessary not only common stability augmentation system, but to to implement a this handling obtain through system common quality characteristics throughout the family. Thus, the commonality could be met on a system level - for cost goals maintenance purposes - and on a personnel level through crossthe flight crews among the entire Family of certification of Commuter Airplanes.

This level of commonality, incorporating a common physical system that must produce stability augmentation tailored to the individual airplane's inherent qualities and to induce the airplane's response characteristics to a level

that is perceived by the pilot to be similar to the rest of the family's characteristics is ideal for SSSA. A common separate surface size could be chosen and simple changes in the gain required for stability augmentation could tailor the response of the system to each airplane. By implementing a desired command level into the gain of the normal feedback loop, this system can then be used to drive each airplane to a common level of handling quality characteristics. Because this entire system operates separate from the primary control surfaces, the pilot perceives that the handling qualities of each airplane is similar throughout the Family of Commuter Airplanes.

In order to achieve a common "feel" for the forces required for the primary control surfaces, the stick force gradients of each airplane were modified through a stick force gain box. Because this report is focused exclusively on the stability augmentation system and its use to gain common handling quality characteristics, it will not present the methodology and results of the modification of the maneuver and velocity stick force gradients. These results are presented in Reference 6.

1.3 Design Objectives

It was mandatory for the augmentation system to meet certain minimum criteria for this design project. In the Longitudinal, Lateral-Directional and Roll modes, each airplane was required to meet the Class I handling qualities for all flight conditions at both the forward and aft C.G. locations. In addition, this SSSA system must have sufficient control power to maintain these Class I handling qualities in gust conditions for all flight phases. This requirement is to reduce pilot work load and to ensure that the system will be reliable and safe in up to 1 percent probability gusts and in thunderstorm gust conditions.

The stick forces for the primary flight control surfaces must have common maneuver and velocity gradients in all flight conditions at the forward and aft C.G. locations. These conditions are presented in Reference 6.

The physical constraints require that all SSSA surfaces must be of common size and geometry. The actuators for all control surfaces must be common; this may require that the surfaces requiring greater control forces for deflection will have a greater number of actuators. This may incur certain weight penalties in favor of commonality requirements.

2. DESIGN RESULTS OF AUGMENTING FOR COMMON HANDLING QUALITIES

The purpose of this section is to present the unaugmented characteristics and the augmented design results of the handling qualities for the Family of Commuter Airplanes. These results will be presented for the Longitudinal, Lateral-Directional and the Roll modes.

2.1 Longitudinal Open and Closed Loop Dynamics

From Figures 2.1 and 2.2, it can be seen that the critical minimum and maximum W_n and Z_p for Level I handling qualities in the longitudinal mode occurs at:

TABLE 2.1 Critical Short-Period Frequencies and Damping Ratios

7 = 0.3 for all conditions. 7sp Cruise Speed:

Min. W_n : 7.3 rad/sec 50 Pax - Fore C.G. Max. W_n : 1.75 rad/sec 75 Pax - Aft C.G.

Min. Control Speed:

Min. W_n : 3.6 rad/sec 50 Pax - Fore C.G. Max. W_n : 1.2 rad/sec 75 Pax - Aft C.G.

And from Table 2.2, it can be seen that all of the airplanes in the family meet the Level I handling qualities in the longitudinal mode in all flight conditions except for the 50 Pax - Aft C.G. at both the cruise and min. control speed.

Therefore, the primary requirement of the augmentation system was to drive the handling qualities of each airplane to a level of commonality.

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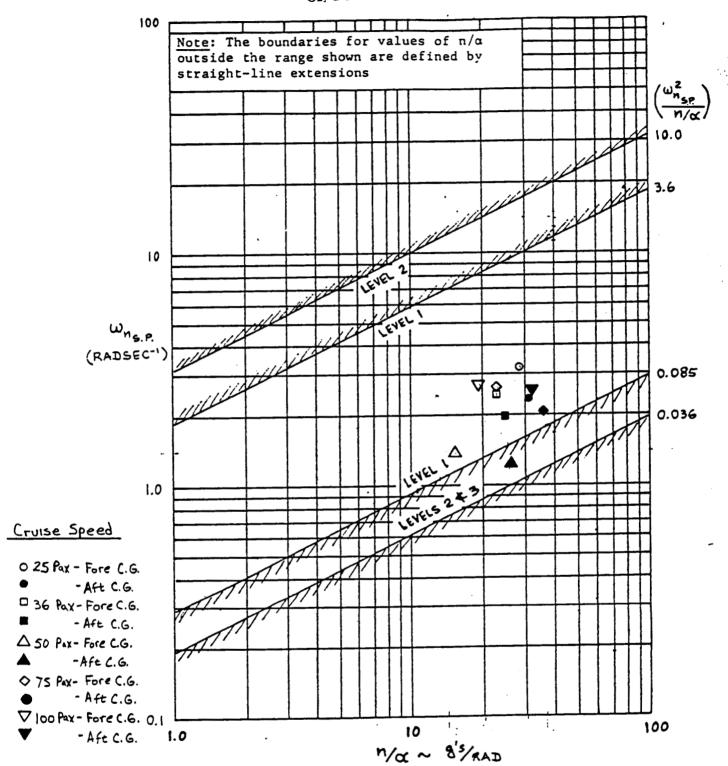


FIGURE 2.1 Cruise Speed Longitudinal Short Period
Frequency Requirements

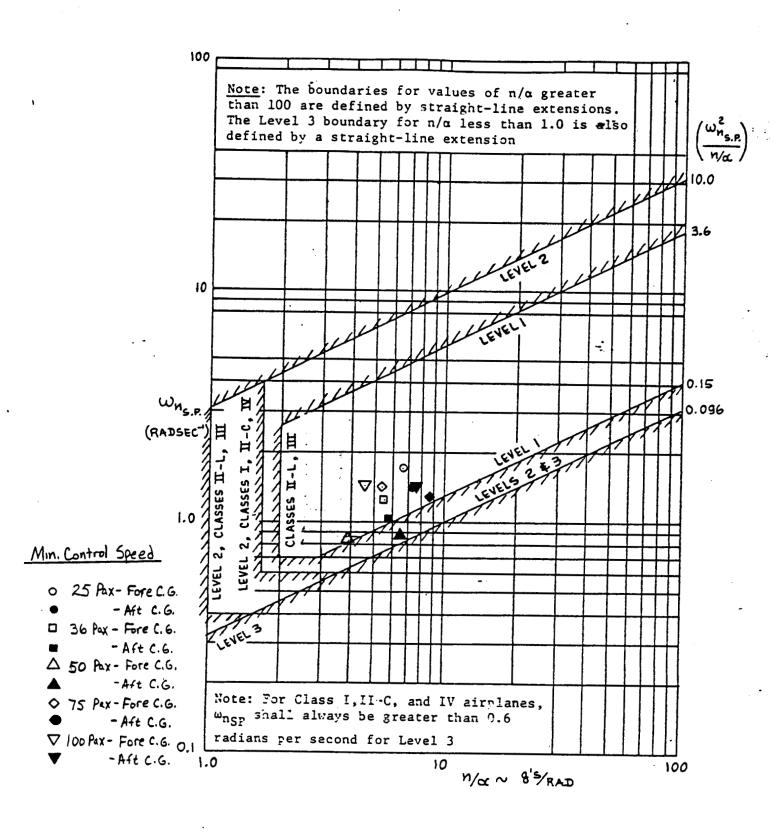


FIGURE 2.2 Min. Control Speed Longitudinal Short Period Frequency Requirements

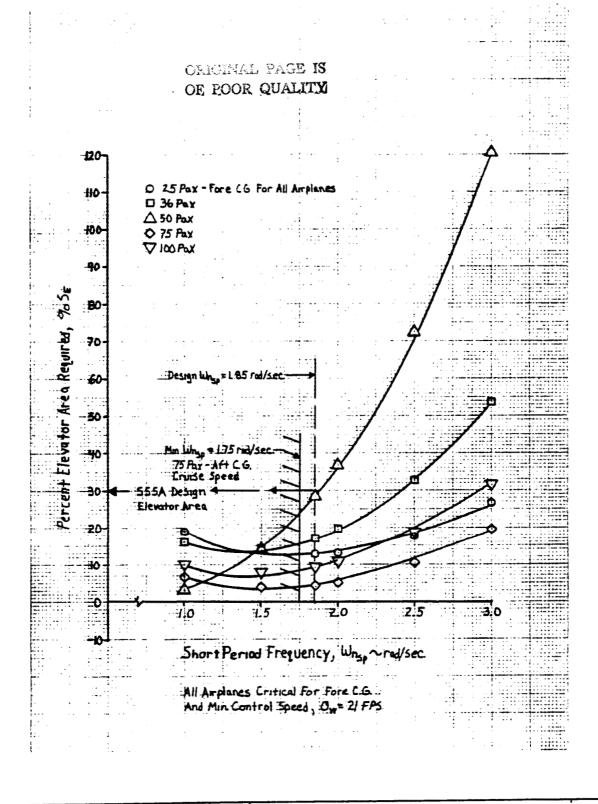
TABLE 2.2 Longitudinal and Lateral-Directional Handling Qualities

LEVEL OF FLYING QUALITIES

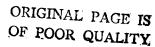
Airplane		Condition Location	W _{nsp}	3sp Leve	W n _D el Sati	3D sfied	us ga
	fwd @	cruise	1	1	1	1	1
25	aft @	cruise	1	1	1	1	1
	fwd @	VMC	1	1	1	.1	1
	aft @	Vmc	1	1	1	1	1
	fwd @	cruise	1	1	1	1	1
. 36	aft @	cruise	1	1	1	1	1
	fwd @	Vmc	1	1	1	1	1
	aft @	Vmc	1	1	1	1	1
	fwd @	cruise	1	1	1	1	1
50	aft @	cruise	2	1	1	1	1
	fwd @	Vmc	1	1	1	1	1
	aft @	Vmc	2	1	1	1	1
	fwd @	cruise	1	1	1	1	2
75	aft @	cruise	1	1	1	1	1
	fwd @	Vmc	1	1	1	1	2
	aft @	Vmc	1	1	1	1	1
	fwd @	cruise	1	1	1	1	2
100	aft @	cruise	1	1	1	1	1
•	fwd @	Vmc	1	1	1	1	2
	aft @	Vmc	1	1	1	1	1

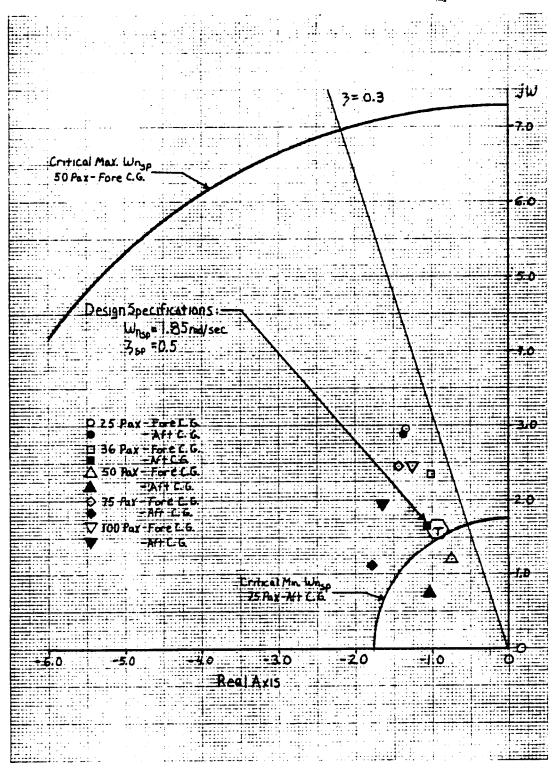
Using the analysis presented in Appendix A for the longitudinal dynamics, a trade study was performed to observe the effects changing the design short period frequency had on required elevator area. The graphical results of this study are presented for the critical forward C.G. locations for all airplanes in the family in Figure 2.3. It can be seen that as the W_n is raised to high levels, the required elevator area to cause the airplane to react with the desired quickness increased sharply for the most critical airplane. As the w_{n} lowered to very slow response characteristics, the elevator area required once again began to increase as this control power was required to make the airplane react more sluggishly than its inherent short period frequency. is obvious that the minimum required elevator area occurs in the region of $W_{n} = 1.5 \text{ rad/sec}$, this could not be chosen as a design point. This is because the critical maximum ω_n for all of the airplanes is at 1.75 rad/sec for the 75 Pax airplane Aft C.G. at cruise speed. In order to have qualities that exceeded the minimum Class I handling requirements by a reasonable margin, a design point of $W_n = 1.85 \text{ rad/sec}$ and = 0.5 was chosen. The location of this design point in relation to the open loop characteristics is shown on the root loci in Figures 2.4 and 2.5.

From the spreadsheet analysis presented in Appendix A, this design point resulted in minimum gain and SSSA elevator surface area size requirements for the longitudinal SSSA system (Table 2.3).

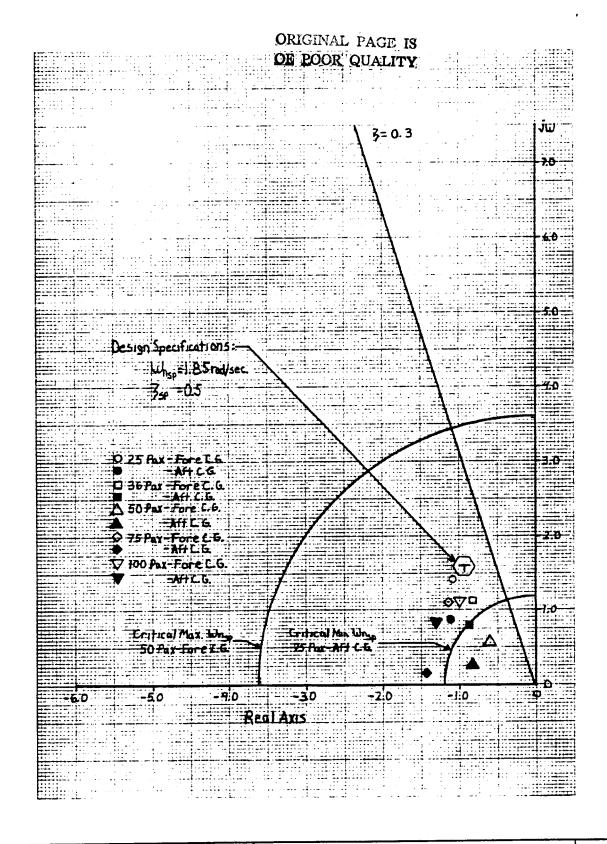


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CHECK FIGURE 2.4 Cruise Speed Longitudinal		•		4-28-87	D. Hensley	CALC
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TABLE 2.3 Longitudinal SSSA Requirements for Critical Conditions

Design $W_n = 1.85 \text{ rad/sec}$

Design $7_{sp} = 0.5$

Critical Conditions: Min. Control Speed, σ_{ω} = 21 fps

25 Pax	36 Pax	50 Pax	75 Pax	100 Pax
Fore Aft	Fore Aft	Fore Aft	Fore Aft	Fore Aft
Kα314261	179071	.642 .312	263386	225407
Kq146180	.189 .094	.923 .136	105370	.039317
Percent S _E required	i:			
12.7 1.8	16.8 8.9	28.4 13.9	4.2 -8.6	9.0 -2.8

The critical requirements occurred for the 50 Pax - Fore C.G. which required 28.4 percent of the elevator to be designated for SSSA. This was rounded to 30 percent which resulted in each airplane being able to safely compensate for the following gust conditions at the Min. Control Speed.

TABLE 2.4 Longitudinal SSSA Gust Performance

SSSA $S_E = 30$ Percent or 12.6 ft 2 - 25, 36, 50 Pax 43 ft 2 - 75, 100 Pax

25 Pax	36 Pax	50 Pax	75 Pax	100 Pax
Fore Aft	Fore Aft	Fore Aft	Fore Aft	Fore Aft
Gust Speed (fps),				
y 49.5 345.3	37.4 70.7	22.2 45.3	149.2 -73.4	69.8 -221.9

Typical gain schedules for the critical airplane - 50 Pax - Fore C.G. are presented for K_{α} in Figure 2.6 and Kq in Figure 2.7.

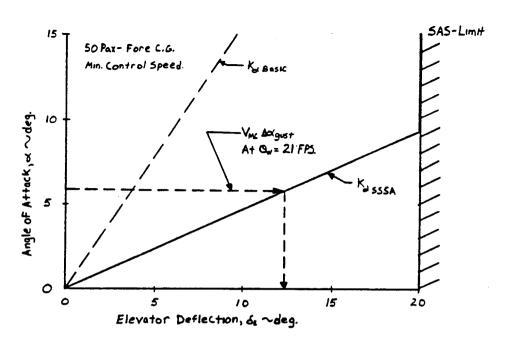


FIGURE 2.6 Typical K_{α} Gain Schedule for Longitudinal Dynamics

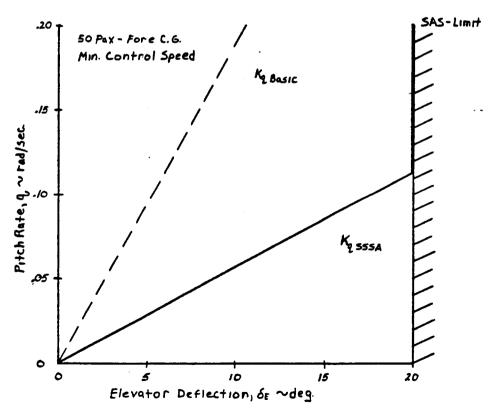


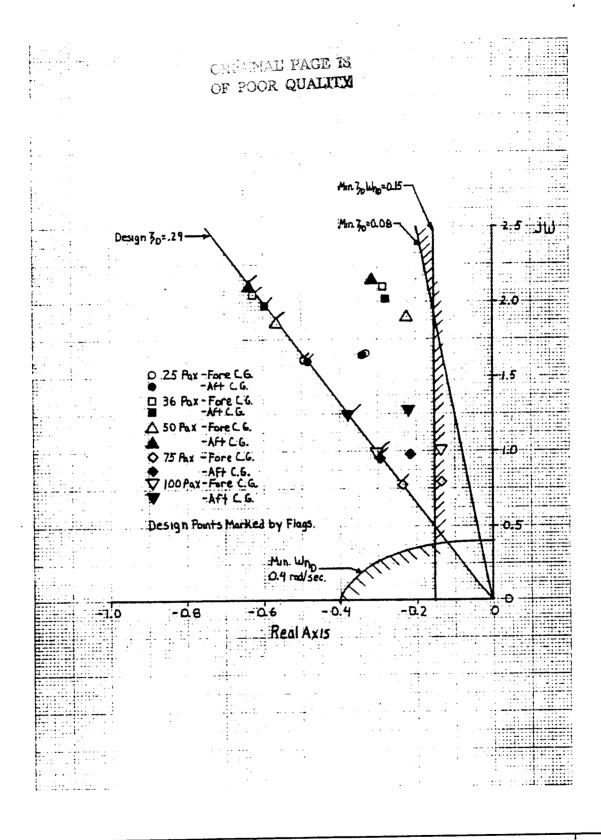
FIGURE 2.7 Typical Kq Gain Schedule for Longitudinal Dynamics

2.2 Lateral-Directional Open and Closed Loop Dynamics

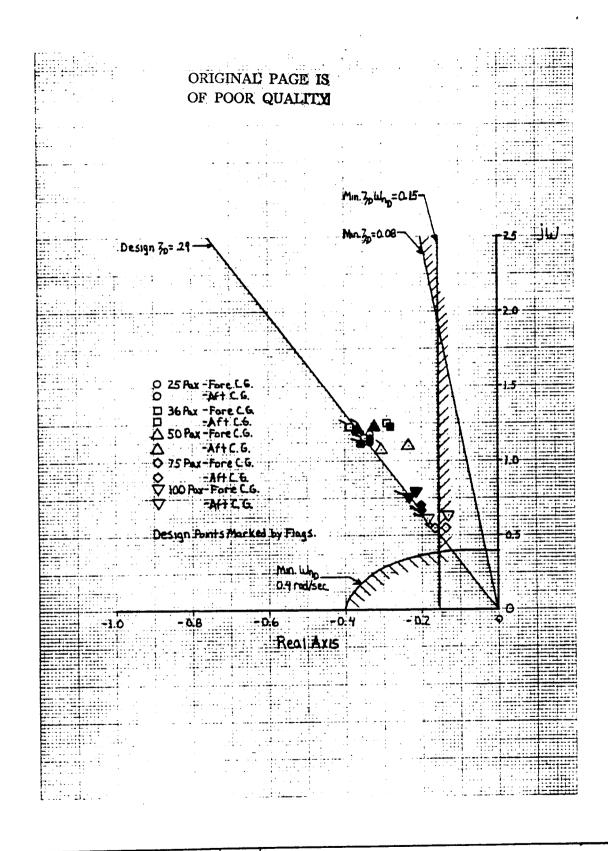
The lateral directional open loop dynamics for the Family of Commuter Airplanes are presented for forward and aft C.G. at cruise and min. control speed in Figures 2.8 and 2.9. From these figures, and from Table 2.2, it is obvious that all of the airplanes - in their basic state - meet the Level I Lateral-Directional handling requirements except for the 75 and 100 Pax - Fore C.G. at both cruise and min. control speed.

Due to the indirect manner in which the augmentation system affects the lateral directional Dutch roll frequency and Dutch roll damping, and because of the extensive interaction that occurs in this mode, it was decided to drive each airplane to a common Dutch roll damping and to let the Dutch roll frequency "fall-out" of the calculations. Using the spreadsheet methodology presented in Appendix B, basic calculations revealed that the minimum acceptable $\frac{3}{2}$ that resulted in Class I handling qualities for all airplanes in all flight conditions was $\frac{3}{2}$ = 0.27. A conservative, but more realistic figure of $\frac{3}{2}$ = 0.29 was chosen as the design goal.

The resulting handling qualities are shown in Figures 2.8 and 2.9. The spreadsheet analysis also resulted in the minimum gain and SSSA rudder control surface area requirements for the Lateral-Directional SSSA system presented in Table 2.5.



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CHECK			-		
CALC	D. Hensley	4-29-87	FIGURE 2.8	Cruise Speed Lateral-Dire	ctional



CALC	D. Hensley	4-29-87	FIGURE 2.9	Min. Control Speed	
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<u>TABLE 2.5</u> Lateral Directional SSSA Requirements for Critical Conditions

	25 Pax	•	36 Pax		50 Pax	1	75 Pax		100 Pa	x
	Fore	<u>Aft</u>	Fore	Aft	<u>Fore</u>	<u>Aft</u>	<u>Fore</u>	Aft	Fore	Aft
Kr	.156	.179	.026	.052	074	.167	.218	. 445	.021	.319
Per	cent S _R	required	:							
	15.4		24.0		28.2		15.7		20.4	

The critical requirements occurred for the 50 Pax which required 28.2 percent of the rudder to be designated for SSSA. This was rounded to 30 percent which resulted in each airplane being able to safely compensate for the following gust conditions at the min. control speed.

TABLE 2.6 Lateral-Directional SSSA Gust Performance

SSSA S_E = 30 percent or 18 ft2 - 25, 36, 50 Pax 35.7 ft2 - 75, 100 Pax

-	25 Pax	<u>36 Pax</u>	<u>50 Pax</u>	75 Pax	100 Pax
Gust	Speed (fps),			
σν	40.8	26.2	22.3	40.2	30.8

A typical gain schedule for the 50 Pax - Fore C.G. is presented in Figure 2.10.

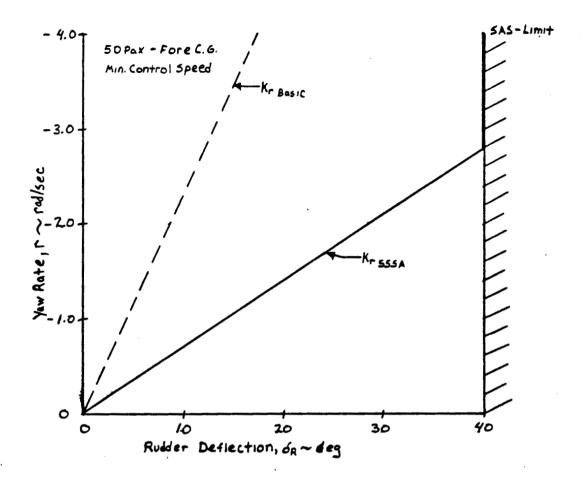


FIGURE 2.10 Typical Kr Gain Schedule for Lateral-Directional Dynamics

2.3 Roll Mode Dynamics

The critical open loop dynamics in the Roll mode consists primarily of the roll time constant, $T_{\rm R}$, and the time requirement to reach a minimum roll angle. These minimum Level I requirements are presented in Table 2.7.

Table 2.7 Roll Mode Minimum Requirements

Flight Condition	T_Rmax_(sec)	t (sec)	Phi (deg)
Cruise	1.4	1.9	45
Min. Control	1.4	1.8	30

From the spreadsheet analysis of Appendix C, these values were calculated for each airplane at cruise and min. control speeds at fore and aft C.G. locations. The results of these calculations are presented in Table 2.8

Table 2.8 Roll Mode Dynamics

	25 Pax	36 Pax	50 Pax	75 Pax	100 Pax
	Fore Aft	Fore Aft	Fore Aft	Fore Aft	Fore Aft
Cruise:					
T _R ,(sec)	.145 .221	.152 .267	.305 .157	.533 .299	.648 .349
				55.8 64.6	
P,(sec 1)	1.12 1.12	1.12 1.11	1.11 1.12	0.68 0.70	0.67 0.70
P.dot,(sec ⁻²	2E-5 9E-4	3E-5 3E-3	7E-3 4E-5	3E-2 4E-3	5E-2 8E-3
Min. Control	<u>:</u>				
T _R ,(sec)	.223 .341	.234 .411 .	.470 .243	.838 .470	1.018 .549
				34.9 44.1	
P, (sec ⁻¹)	.67 .67	.67 .66	.65 .67	.50 .56	.47 .55
P.dot, (sec -2	9E-4 1E-2	1E-3 2E-2	3E-2 1E-3	8E-2 2E-2	9E-2 4E-2

It is apparent that within each group of airplanes with the same planform - single body and twin body - that these critical characteristics are inherently very similar. For the following reasons:

- 1) The similarity of the open-loop dynamics within each group of common planform.
- 2) The magnitude by which the family inherently exceeded the Level I minimum requirements.
- 3) That the perception of the pilots in the twin-bodies would be unpredictably affected in the roll-mode due to their location away from the axis of rotation.

it was decided that a roll-damper SAS would not be used in this Family of Commuter Airplanes.

3. REQUIREMENTS OF SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION

The purpose of this Section is to present the physical and technology requirements for implementing a Separate Surface Stability Augmentation System. A typical arrangement and block diagrams for the control systems will then be presented.

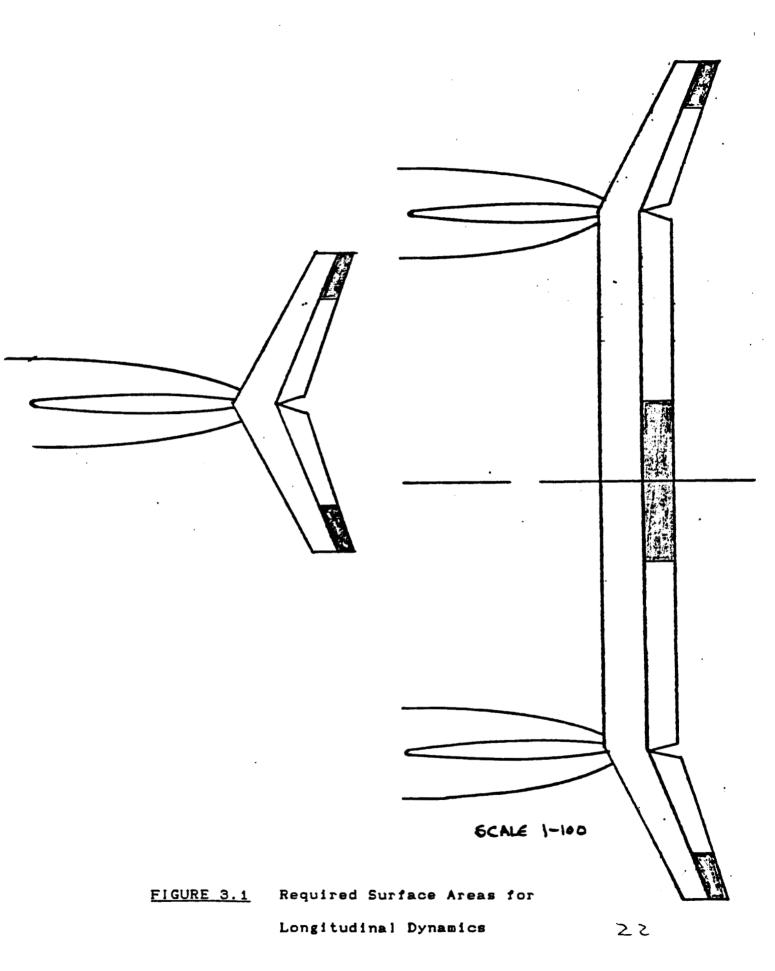
3.1 Separate Surface Control Surface Requirements

The surface areas required for the SSSA control surfaces in the Longitudinal, Lateral-Directional and the Roll modes can be summarized from Sections 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3 of the report as:

TABLE 3.1 Summary of Control Surface Requirements

	Longitudinal	Lateral-Directional	Roll	
	Elevator Area	Rudder Area	Aileron Area	
SSSA Percent of				
Primary Surface	30	30	N/A	
25,36,50 Pax (ft2)	12.6	18	N/A	
75, 100 Pax (ft2)	43	35.7	N/A	
(Twin Bodies)				

As explained earlier in this report, the design goal of commonality being the primary design driver rather than individual optimization for each airplane is the reason a common control surface size was chosen for each airplane. The selected surfaces that will be controlled by the SSSA system for each airplane are represented in Figures 3.1, 3.2, and 3.3. A note for Figure 3.2, the surface areas indicated on the aileron or the spoiler are suggested locations that could



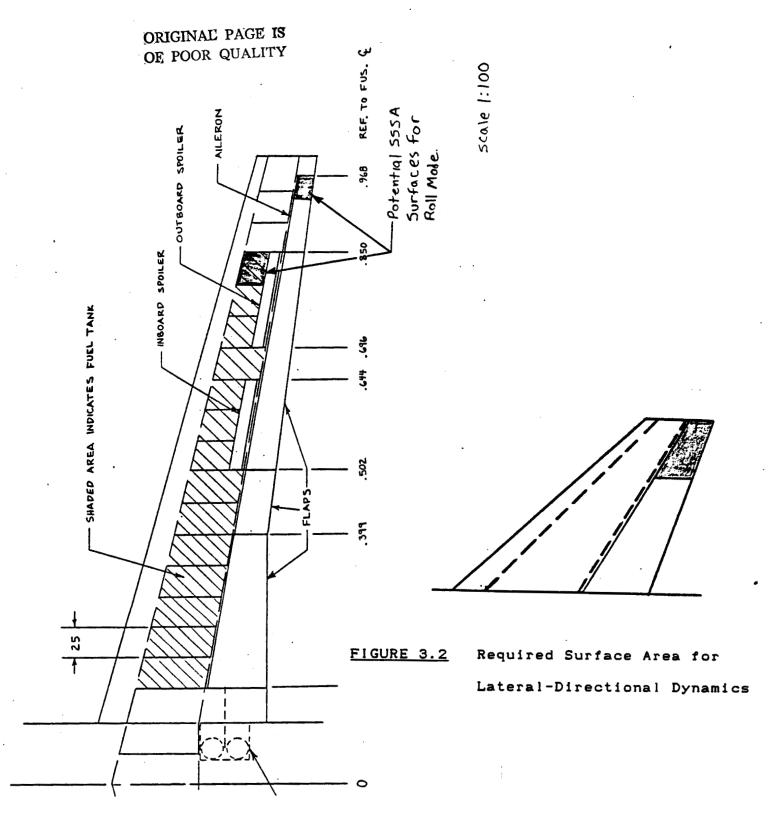


FIGURE 3.3 Suggested Surface Areas for Roll-Mode Dynamics

be retro-fitted as SSSA control surfaces if pilot perceptions indicate that such a system would be required to achieve greater common handling characteristics in the Roll mode.

3.2 Technology Requirements

order to meet the goal of maximizing commonality throughout the Family of Commuter Airplanes, it was crucial for the entire stability and handling qualities augmentation to be similar. This ruled-out the use of mechanical or hydraulic linkages for this system as such linkages would system specifically tailored for the physical constraints of each airplane. According to Reference 9, a control system driven by electric signals avoids the complexity and individual design required by a fully mechanical or hydraulic system. It also avoids the nonrecurring cost required by mechanical/hydraulic systems for a Vehicle System Simulator (or "Iron Bird"). The result of using a system driven by electric signals is a decrease in the design and development costs as well as the installation and testing costs for the system.

The ideal actuator to be used for this system, and that technology, available through current would electrohydrostatic actuators (EHA's). As described 10 and 11. these actuators are driven by a localized hydraulic system pressurized by a high-power-(rare earth) magnet electric motor. They can be activated by electric or light signals and are ideal for usage with the primary flight control system elements such as the elevators, ailerons and rudder. Figure 3.4 shows example of an an Electrohydrostatic actuator.

Figures 3.5 and 3.6, courtesy of Reference 12, demonstrate additional characteristics of EHA's. Figure 3.5 shows typical hinge moments, rates, horsepower, estimated weights and electrical bus power requirements for a control

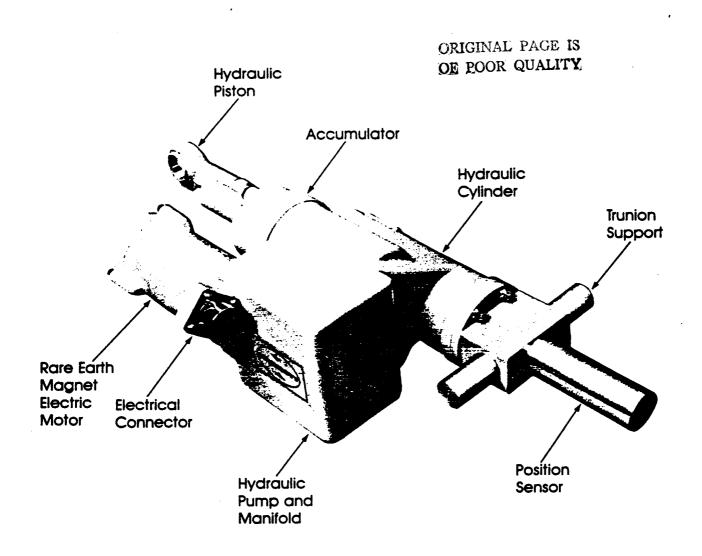


FIGURE 3.4 Example Electrohydrostatic Actuator

TABLE I BUS SUMMARIES

			ECTED ACT		Man	Max	ESTIMAT: ACTUATOR
		BUS	LOCATION		Max. Rate	Act. H.M.	
ACTUATOR & #		L	c	R	•/s	FT - LBS.	LBS
AILERON L. AILERON R. AILERON R. AILERON	1 2 1 2	.88	.88 .88	.88	30 30 30 30	925 925 925 925	15-20
SPOILER SPOILER SPOILER SPOILER	1 2 3 4	3.70 5.35	4.79	6.28	60 60 60 60	1945 2516 2812 3300	20-25
R. SPOILER R. SPOILER R. SPOILER R. SPOILER	9 10 11 12	5.35 3.70	4.79	6.28	60 60 60 60	3300 2812 2516 1945	20-25
STABILIZER STABILIZER	1 2		15.63	15.63	5 5	98500 98500	40-60
L. ELEVATOR L. ELEVATOR L. ELEVATOR	1 2 3	2.48	2.48	2.48	· 30 30 30	2600 2600 2600	20-15
R. ELEVATOR R. ELEVATOR R. ELEVATOR	1 2 3	2.48	2.48	2.48	30 30 30	2600 2600 2600	20-25
RUDDER RUDDER RUDDER	1 2 3	1.99	1.99	1.99	35 35 35	1790 1790 1790	20-25
Total Connected Bus H.P. Bus Power In kW. Est. Cont. Load kW		25.93 26.77 2.68	33.92 35.02 3.50	36.02 37.19 3.72			1

HP = $\frac{(RATE) (HM) \times 60}{360 \times 5252}$

Pbus = $\frac{HP \times .746}{.85 \times .85}$ = 1.033 x HP (kW)

FIGURE 3.5 Performance Characteristics

of Typical EHA's

NOT ES:

FOR THESE
ACTUATORS
WOULD WEIGH
5-10 POUNDS EACH.

2-STAB TRIM IS EMA.

CONTROLLER WT

IS 10-15 POUNDS.

ACTUATOR ASSEMBLY WEIGHT VS. SWEPT VOLUME

SYMBOLS FOR CONVENTIONAL 3000 PS HYDRAULIC ACTUATORS:

- DOT 1S SECONDARY ACTUATOR
- CROSS IS FLIGHT CONTROL
- ALUMINUM ACTUATOR
- ALUMINUM TANDEM ACTUATOR
- STEEL ACTUATOR

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STEEL TANDEM ACTUATOR

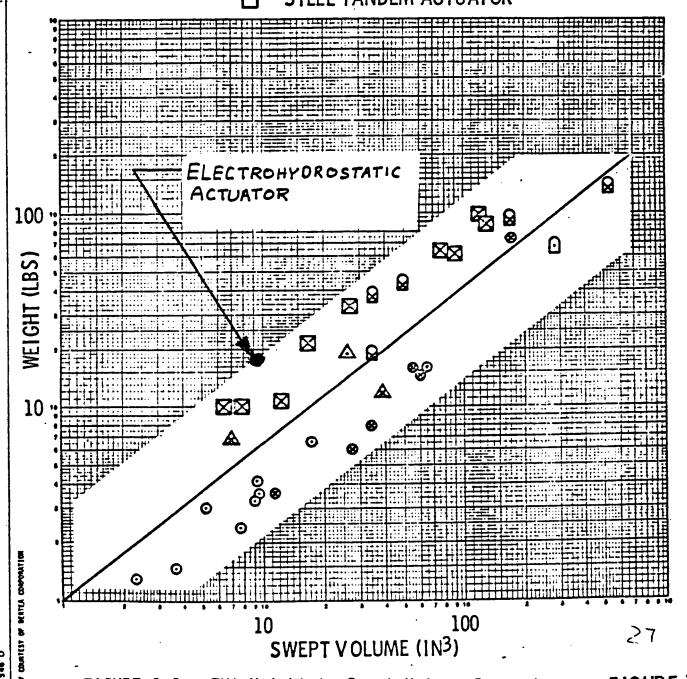


FIGURE 3.6 EHA Weight to Swept-Volume Comparison

FIGURE 115

system for a similar airplane. Figure 3.6 shows a comparison of the weight of an EHA as a function of swept volume with conventional hydraulic actuators. While this figure indicated - 11.5 lbs for a 95 in swept volume - appears to be high compared to conventional hydraulic actuators, each EHA is a self-contained unit and their use will save weight on the overall system by eliminating the need for a central hydraulic system and long runs of redundant high-pressure tubing required by conventional hydraulic systems.

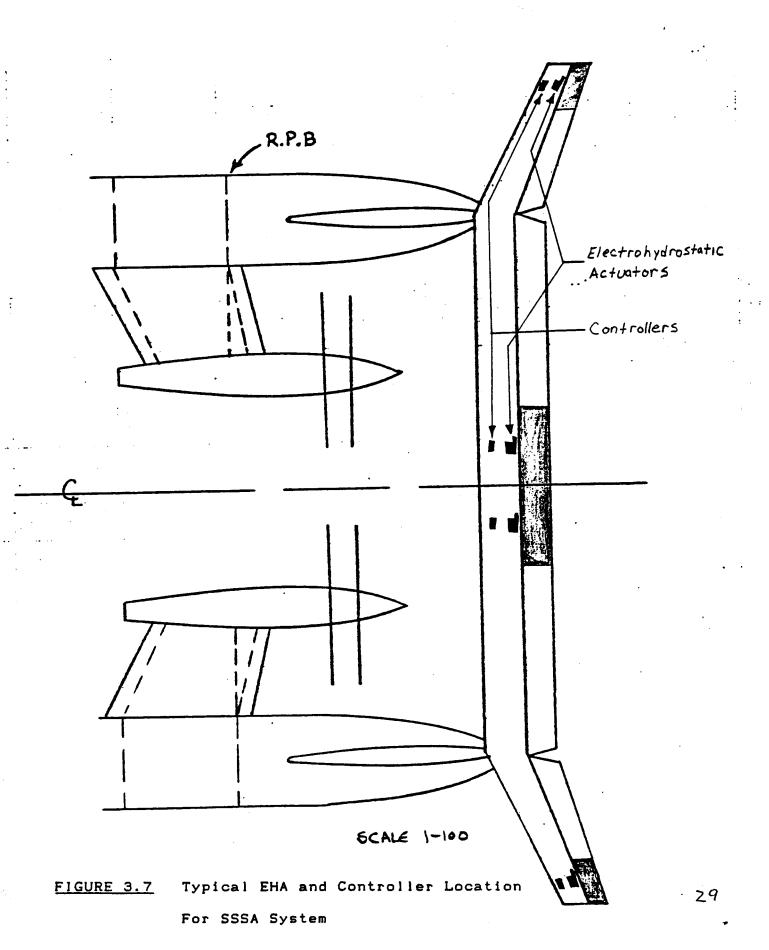
The system will also require typical controllers driven by electric signals. As stated previously in Section 1.2 of this report, simple adjustments in the gain requirements for these controllers can be used to tailor the handing qualities of each airplane to achieve the desired goal of common Level I handling characteristics.

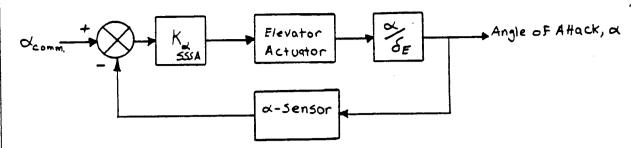
The requirements for the stick force gain box, previously mentioned in Section 1.3 of this report, to achieve common stick force gradients for the primary control surfaces are detailed in Reference 6.

3.3 System Implementation

As noted in Reference 12 and the characteristics presented in Figure 3.5, the performance of EHA's is similar to standard hydraulic actuators. For this reason, the concern noted in Section 1.3 of this report concerning the possible need for an undue number of actuators driving the surfaces requiring greater control forces is apparently unfounded. Figure 3.7 demonstrates a typical physical arrangement of actuators, controllers and control surface areas for a horizontal tail.

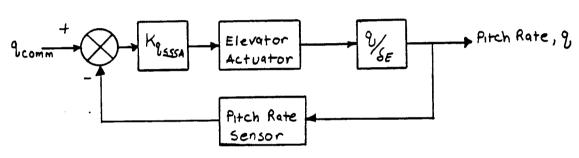
Figures 3.8, 3.9 and 3.10 represent the block diagrams for the controllers. They are for an angle of attack controller, pitch damper and yaw damper respectively.





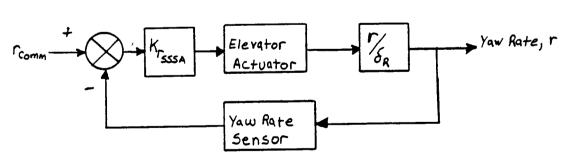
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FIGURE 3.8 SSSA Angle of Attack Compensator



Where Kesssa Follows the Gain Schedule depicted in Figure 2.7

FIGURE 3.9 SSSA Pitch Damper



Where Krsssa Follows the Gain Schedule depicted in Figure 2.10

FIGURE 3.10 SSSA Yaw Damper

4. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The purpose of this report was to present the results of a design study for implementing a flight controller and achieving handling quality commonality by Separate Surface Stability Augmentation for a Family of Commuter Airplanes. Stability

4.1 Conclusions

Stability augmentation by independently controlled surfaces is a feasible manner to achieve Level I handling qualities and to tailor the performance of each airplane to achieve common handling qualities throughout the Family of Commuter Airplanes. It was also demonstrated that this system was robust, for the most critical airplane and flight condition it can safely handle gusts up to thunderstorm intensity.

This form of stability and performance augmentation is a unique method to achieve commonality on a system and personnel level throughout the Family. Variations of the gain schedule allows for the use of common control surface sizes and common handling qualities allows for cross-certification of flight crews throughout the Family of Airplane. Acquisition and design costs are decreased due to the design flexibility allowed by a system driven by electric signals. These costs are further decreased due to the use of Electrohydrostatic actuators, which eliminate the need for a central hydraulics system and the complex tubing a central hydraulics system would require. Maintenance costs are also decreased as each surface is driven by a common actuator that is a self-contained unit.

4.2 Recommendations

While this designer believes that the results and conclusions reached through this study generally indicated the feasibility and advantages that use of a Separate Surface Stability Augmentation system could gain in terms of system, personnel and handling quality commonality, some recommendations for future consideration are in order.

- 1) A detailed analysis of the control forces required to drive the larger control surfaces would be required to ascertain whether these surfaces would need a disproportionate number of EHA's.
- 2) Tests would be needed to ensure that the primary control surfaces have enough control power to maintain acceptable handling qualities in the event of a hard-over system failure in any of the modes augmented.
- 3) A more detailed analysis could be done to augment for a common Dutch-roll frequency in addition to the common Dutch-roll damping achieved in this study.
- 4) A more advanced study using all six degrees of freedom rather than the approximations used in this study would provide definitive conclusions concerning the feasibility and advantages of using this form of stability augmentation and handling characteristics tailoring.
- reactions to the roll mode will be needed to 5) Pilot determine if a roll damper will be required to drive closer characteristics to level а these In particular, the pilot's perception commonality. the differences in Lateral acceleration in the mode between the single body airplanes and the twin-body airplanes will be required.

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APPENDIX A: SEPARATE SURFACE CALCULATIONS

FOR LONGITUDINAL DYNAMICS

The purpose of this Appendix is to present a summary of the method and results used to determine the elevator area and gain requirements for a SSSA system to achieve the commonality design goals.

A.1 Angle of Attack and Pitch Rate Gain Requirements

From Section 6.2.3 of Reference 13, the 2-Dimensional short period approximation was found to be:

$$W_{n} = Z_{\alpha} Mq / U1 - M_{\alpha}$$
 (A.1)

$$\frac{7}{3p} = -(Mq + Z\alpha/U1 + M\alpha) / 2Wn_{sp}$$
 (A.2)

Where M_{α} is the dominant term for short period frequency and Mq is the dominant term for short period damping.

From Table 6.3 of Reference 13,

$$M_{\alpha} = \overline{q} \ S \ \overline{c} \ Cm_{\alpha} \ / \ Iyy \ (sec^{-2}) \tag{A.3}$$

$$Mq = \overline{q} S \overline{c}^2 Cmq / 2 Iyy U1 (sec^{-1})$$
 (A.4)

The relationships for angle of attack and pitch rate gains were found in Reference 13 to be:

$$K_{\alpha} = \Delta Cm_{\alpha} / Cm \delta E$$
 (A.5)

$$Kq = (\Delta Cmq / Cm \delta E) \overline{C}/2U1$$
 (A.6)

where Cm & was determined as:

$$\Delta^{\text{Cm}} \propto_{\text{des}} = [Z \propto_{\text{Mq/U1}} - (\Delta W_{n_{\text{Sp}}})^{2}] / (\overline{q} S \overline{c}/Iyy)$$

$$\text{where } \Delta W_{n_{\text{Sp}}} = W_{n_{\text{Sp}}} - W_{n_{\text{Sp}}}$$

$$\text{spbasic}$$
(A.7)

and

$$\Delta Cmq = -[2IyyU1/\overline{q} S \overline{c}^2](2 \ln_{sp} \Delta_{sp}^2 + Z\alpha/U1 + M\alpha)$$
 (A.8)

where $\Delta 7_{sp} = 7_{spdes} - 7_{spbasic}$ The inter-related nature of W_{nsp} and 7_{sp} when either is modified was ignored for simplicity of the model.

These gains were calculated based upon the normal control surface sizes and must be multiplied to account for the ratio of Separate Surface sizes to the primary control surface sizes.

A.2 SSSA Longitudinal Surface Sizing Requirements

The minimum required surface areas were determined for one percent probability and thunderstorm gusts. Using the VonKarman scales in Section 9.8.1 of Reference 14, the root-mean-square gust intensity and the resulting change in angle of attack due to gust perturbation were determined to be:

TABLE A.1: Longitudinal Gust and Perturbations

	Clear A	ir	Thunderstorm			
	Cruise	Min.Control*	<u>Cruise</u>	Min.Control*		
σ _w ,(fps)	4.6	6.6	21	21		
αgust,(rad)	.0066	.0318	.0302	.1012		

* At 500 ft. altitude

It is obvious that the critical flight condition that will size the surface required for the SSSA system is for a thunderstorm gust at min. control speed. The required elevator area was determined according to the method of balancing moments in the longitudinal axis as presented in Section 6.6.5 of Reference 13.

$$Cm \propto \Delta_{\alpha_{gust}} = Cm \delta E \Delta \delta E$$
 (A.9)
where: $\Delta \delta E max = \pm 20 deg$.

 $$Cm_{\,\alpha}=Cm_{\,\alpha}$_{\rm basic}$+$Cm_{\,\alpha}$_{\rm des}$$ From Reference 13, Section 4.1.4, the relationship of the elevator to the affected horizontal tail area was determined to be:

For a chosen elevator size for the SSSA control surface, the maximum gust intensity that the system can overcome was found as:

TABLE A.2 Sample Spreadsheet for Longitudinal Dynamics

HIN. CONTROL	25 -F ore	25-Aft	36-Fore	36-Aft	50-Fore	50-Aft	75-Fore	75-Aft	100-Fore	100-Aft
Gust=21 fps										
Z-alpha	-223.3370	-236,3080	-182.1430		-128.0730		-179.7080			-248.7080
M-q	8800	8750	6130		4810		-1.1890			
U-1	207.5000	207.5000	207.5000		207,5000					207.5000
Wn.sp.des	1.8500	1.8500	1.3500		1.8500		1.8500			1.8500
Wh.sp.basic	1.7920	1.4130	1.3960							
D.Wn.sp	.0580	.4370	.4540		1.0200		.2610	•		
q.bar	51.1700	51.1700	51.1700							
Sh	120.0000	120.0000	120,0000		120,0000		410.0000			410.0000
S	592.0000	592.0000	592.0000		592.0000	592.0000	1182.0000	1182.0000 8.9700	1182.0000 8.9700	1182.0000 ° 8.9700
C-bar	7,4500	7,4500	7.4500	7,4500	7.4500	7.4500	8.9700			
Туу Г				209114.0000						
Ca.dE.avail	-1.7360	-1.6780	-1.7400	-1.8820	-2.3890	-2.3570	-3.4150	-3.2600		
M.alpha.dot	2030	2020	1400					•		
Cm.a.basic	-1.3080	5430	-1.4720	7120	3080	3950	-1.3940	2920	-2.1310	-1.1880
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d.Co.a.des	.5455	.4374	.3465	.1336	-1.5337	7357	.8968	1.2571	. 2934	1.5641
K-a	3142	2607	1786	0710	.5420	.3121	2526	3856	2248	4072
d.Ca.a.req	7625	10 5 6	-1.1255	5734	-2.3417	-1.1307	4972	.9651	-1.2376	.3761
n.ce.aed	.7025	.1000	111200	10/04	210417	111007	: 17/72	17001	102570	10/01
Zeta.sp.des	.5000	.5000	.5000	.5000	.5000	.5000	.5000	.5000	.5000	.5000
Zeta.sp.res	.3599	.3693	.2718		.2010	.2797	.3810	.4773	.3289	.4306
D.Zeta.sp	.1401	.1307	.2282	.2119	.2990	.2203	.1190	.0227	.1711	.0694
·										
D.Caq.des	14.1246	16.8356	-20,4325	-9.8346	-122.8050	-17.8339	16.5285	55.8575	-7. 1714	56.2881
N-d	1461	1801	.1391		.9228	.1358	1046	3703		
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Sust Speed	21.0000	21.0000	21.0000	21.0000	21.0000	21,0000	21.0000	21.0000	21.0000	21,0000
D.a.gust-rad	.1012	.1012	.1012	,1012	.1012	.1012	.1012	.1012	.1012	.1012
D.de.max-deg	20.0000	20,0000	20.0000	20.0000	20,0000	20.0000	20,0000	20,0000	20,0000	20.0000
D.ag/dE.max	.2899	.2899	. 2899	. 2879	. 2899	.2899	.2899	.2899	.2899	.2999
D.Ca.dE.req	2210	0306	3263	1677	6789	3278	1441	.2798	3588	.1090
D. Ca. UE. FEY		-,000	-, 0200	-,10//	0/07	10210	-17447	•2/10	13000	•10/0
Xach.bar	4.1500	4.1500	4.6760	4.5760	5.0400	5.0400	4.2930	4.2530	4.9420	4,9420
Xcg.bar	.1450	.2800	.2010		.5300		.6020			
Xach-XcgBar	4.0050	3.9700	4.4750	4.3410	5.5100	5.4370	3.6810			4,1400
CL.alpha.H	3.9610	3.9610	3.9610		3.9610					
Tau.E	.5400	.5400	.5400	.5400	.5400	.5400	.5400		.5400	.5400
D.Sh.req	15.2725	2,1884	20.1312	10.6 92 2	34,1018	8686.61	17.3003	-35.1885	37.0 22 0	-11.6354
u.sn.req % Sh.req	12.7272	1.8237	16.3177	8.9102	28.4182	13, 7057	4.2195			-2,8379
* 2011.156	14.7474	1.023/	10.51//	5.7172	40.4104	10,700/	7,2173	-0.4048	7,9479	±200/7
Percent - 3h	30.0000	30.0000	30.0000	30.0000	30,0000	30.9000	30,0000	30.0000	30.0000	30,0000
Sh - max	36.0000 36.0000	36.0000	30.0000 36.0000		36.0000					123.0000
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Gust - Max	49.4843	345.2642	37.4596	70,7076	22, 1579	45.3019	149.2483	-73, 4014	59. 7658	-221,9074

APPENDIX B: SSSA CALCULATIONS FOR

LATERAL-DIRECTIONAL DYNAMICS

The purpose of this Appendix is to present a summary of the method and results used to determine the rudder area and gain requirements for a SSSA system to achieve the commonality design goals.

B.1 Yaw Rate Gain Requirements

From Section 6.3.5 of Reference 13, the Dutch Roll approximation for Lateral-Directional dynamic stability was found to be:

$$W_{n_{D}} = \sqrt{1/U1 \ (Y \beta Nr + N \beta U1 - N \beta Yr)}$$
 (B.1)

$$\frac{7}{2}$$
 = -1/2\lambda n_D (Nr + Y \text{\text{BU1}}) (B.2)

Because of the inter-related nature of the Dutch roll damping and frequency and the rather common usage of yaw rate sensors, it was decided to choose a design damping ratio and to allow the Dutch roll frequency to result from the nature of the equations.

With the yaw rate as the measured quantity, its relationship to Dutch roll damping and frequency through the dimensional derivative, Nr, was found in Table 6.8 of Reference 13 to be:

$$Nr = \overline{q} S b^2 Cnr / 2 Izz U1$$
 (B.3)

The relationship for the yaw rate gain was found in Reference 13 to be:

$$Kr = (\Delta Cnr / Cn \delta R) (b / 2 U1)$$
 (B.4)

where:
$$\Delta Cnr = -2 Izz U1/\overline{q} S b^2(2Wn_D^{\Delta}) + Y\beta/U1$$
 (B.5)

where: $\Delta 3_D = 3_{Ddesign} - 3_{Dbasic}$

This gain was calculated based upon the normal control surface sizes and must be multiplied to account for the ratio of the Separate Surface size to the primary control surface size.

The change in the dimensional derivative, Nr, required a recalculation of the resulting Dutch roll frequency by Equation (B.1). The relationships of $_{\rm D}$, $_{\rm D}$ and $_{\rm D}$ $_{\rm D}$ were then checked to insure all airplanes met Level I handling requirements at all flight conditions and C.G. locations for the chosen design point.

B.2 SSSA Lateral-Directional Surface Sizing Requirements

The minimum required surface area for the rudder was determined for one percent probability and thunderstorm gusts. Using the VonKarman scales of Section 9.8.1 of Reference 14, the root-mean-square gust intensity and the resulting change in sideslip due to gust perturbation was found to be:

TABLE B.1 Lateral-Directional Gusts and Perturbations

	Clear A	ir	Thunderstorm			
	Cruise	Min.Control*	Cruise	Min.Control*		
σ _υ ,(fps)	4.6	8.71	21	21		
gust, (rad)	.0066	.0419	.0302	.1012		

* at 500 ft. altitude

or

It is obvious that the critical flight condition that will size the surface required for the SSSA system is for a thunderstorm gust at min. control speed. The required rudder area was determined according to the method of balancing moments in the Lateral-directional axis.

$$Cn_{\beta} \Delta_{\beta}_{gust} = Cn_{\delta R} \Delta_{\delta R_{max}}$$
 (B.6)

Cn
$$\delta R = Cn \beta (\Delta \beta_{gust} / \Delta \delta R_{max})$$

where: $\Delta \delta R_{max} = \pm 40 \text{ deg}$

From Reference 15, Sections 12.1 and 12.3, the relationship of the rudder to the affected vertical tail area was determined to be:

 $Cn \delta R = -(Cy \delta R) / Sv (Lvcos \alpha + Zvsin \alpha / b)$ (B.7) From this it is obvious that the percentage of the required rudder area that must be dedicated to SSSA is:

% $SR=(-1/Cy \, \delta R)$ (b/Lvcos $\alpha+Zv\sin\alpha$) ($Cn\beta\Delta\beta$ gust $/\Delta \, \delta R$ max) (B.8) For a chosen rudder size for the SSSA control surface, the maximum gust intensity that the system can overcome was found as:

"vmax" =U1(ΔδR max/Cnβ)(-CyδR basic/Sv basic)(Sv)(Lvcos α+Zvsin α/b)
From these relationships, a spreadsheet analysis was defined to show simultaneously the effect of design choices on the requirements for all of the airplanes. A sample spreadsheet is presented for the design point at the critical min. control speed in Table B.2.

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TABLE B.2 Sample Spreadsheet for Lateral-Directional Dynamics

MIN.CONTROL	25 - Fore	25 - Aft :	36 - Fore	36 - Aft !	50 - Fare :	50 - Aft 7	75 - Fore	75 - Aft :	100 - Fore	100 - Aft
Lat-Direct U-1	207.5000	207.5000	207.5000	207.5000	207.5000	207,5000	207.5000	207.5000	207.5000	207.5000
S	592.0000									
Sv	170.0000	170.0000	170.0000	170.0000	170.0000	170.0000	340.0000			
b	84.3000		84.3000					132.5000	132,5000	132.5000
g.bar	51.1700									
Alpha (deg)	9.0000									
Ly, Zy, Alpha	23.9500		28.3900		37.4700					
Weight	24739.0000									
īzz	768.2919		942.0497	887.3913		806.7702	2217.9814	1391.4286 1124871.0000	2641.1180	
142,	177000.0000	100034.0000	201727.0000	210201.0000	J000+0.0000	43/113.0000	1//7101.0000	11270/1.0000	2325157.0000	1437303.0000
N.B.basic	1.4120		1.6230		1.2310		.3210	.5070		
N.r.basic	-, 4480		3910							
Y.B.basic	-48.5350		-39.5B30	-42.0210				-47.385 0		
Y.r.basic	4.3040		4.1600							
Cn.B.basic	.0980		.1810				.0710	.0710		
Co.r.basic	1530									
Cy.dR.basic Cn.dR	3240 .0920		3240 .1090		-,3240 .1440			3240 .0660	3240 .0850	
ui.un	• 4724	10120	.1070	.1070	• 1 1 1 4				1000	•••••
Zeta.D.basic	.2790		.2260		.2090		. 2220	.2770	.2030	
Wn.D.basic	1.2200									
Zeta.D#Wn.D	.3404		.2915	. 2806	.2339	.3233	.1279	.2025	.1309	.2137
	ass One Quali						_		_	_
Zeta.D - min	yes	-	•	yes	=	•		yes	•	-
Wn.D - min Zeta#Wn.D-min	yes yes	•	yes yes	yes yes	-	yes yes	yes no	yes yes		=
7-h. D. don	2000	2000	2000	.2900	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000
Zeta.D.des d.Zeta.D	.2900 .0110		.2900 .0640		.2900 .0810		.2900 .0680	.2900 .0130		
d.Co.r	.0707		.0141	.0290	0527	.1181	.0451	.0920		
N.r.result	2412		3665		3816					
Kr	.1561	.1791	.0262	.0522	0744	.1666	.2184	.4452	.0205	.3191

Zeta.D.des	.2900	.2900	.2900	.2900	.2900	.2900	.2900	.2900	.2900	.2900
Wn.D.cc	1.1996		1.2886	1.2323			.5680	.6976	.6444	.8038
Zeta.D#Wn.D	.3479	.3437	.3737	.3574	.3254	.3643	.1647	.2023	. 1869	.2331
SAS - Cla	ass One Quali	ties								
Zeta.D - min	yes	•	yes	yes	· yes	-	yes		-	yes
Wn.D - ain	yes	•	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	•	-	-
Zeta≅Wn.D-min	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	y es	yes	yes.	yes	yes
Gust Resp										.
Gust Speed	21.0000		21.0000							
d.B.gust-rad	.1012		.1012							
D.dR.max-deg	40.0000	40.0000	40.0000	40.0000	40.0000	40.0000	40.0000	40.0000	40.0000	40.0000
D.Sv.req	26.2371	26.2371	40.8798	40.8798	47.9148	47.9148	53.2803	53.2803	69.4651	69.4651
Percent - Sv	30.0000	30.0000	30.0000	30.0000	30.0000	30.0000	30.0000	30.0000		30.0000
Sv.max	51.0000	51.0000	51.0000	51.0000	51.0000	51.0000	102.0000	102.0000	102,0000	102.0000
Gust - max	40.8200	40.8200	26.1988	26.1988	22.3522	22.3522	40.2025	40.2025	30.8356	30.8356

APPENDIX C: CALCULATIONS FOR ROLL MODE DYNAMICS

The purpose of this Appendix is to present a summary of the method and results used to determine the aileron area and gain requirements for a SSSA system to achieve the commonality design goals.

From Section 6.6.3 of Reference 13, the Rolling approximation was found to be:

$$T_{R} = -1 / Lp$$
 (C.1)

Phi(t) =
$$-L \delta A \delta A/Lp t + L \delta A \delta A/Lp^2$$
 (e - 1) (C.2)

The roll rate and the roll acceleration were also calculated for all airplanes, and the lateral acceleration for the twin-bodies was determined.

$$P(t) = -L \delta A \delta A/L p (1 - e^{Lpt})$$
 (C.3)

$$P.dot(t) = L \delta A \delta A e^{Lpt}$$
 (C.4)

and the lateral acceleration was:

$$Lat.acc = (y)[P.dot(t)]$$
 (C.5)

where y = fuselage distance from Centerline <math>y = 289 in.

Due to the nearness of the grouping of time constants and roll rates within each group of similar planform, and the magnitude that these values exceeded the minimum Level I requirements, and augmentation system was not designed for the Roll mode.

These calculations were made in a spreadsheet analysis. A sample spreadsheet demonstrating Level I requirements is demonstrated in Table C.1.

TABLE C.1 Sample Spreadsheet for Roll Mode Dynamics

ROLL MODE										
CRUISE +	25-Fore 2	25-Aft :	36-Fore	36-Aft !	50-Fore	50-Aft	75-Fore	75-Aft	100-Fore	100-Aft
Lp	-6.9196	-4.5205	-6.5766					-3.3409		
L.da	88.4574	-				81.1047		26.9658		
da (deg)	5	_							-	5
Time (sec)	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Phi (deg)	112.2070	107.3068	111.7255	104.4271	102.0010	111.3701	55. 7787	64.6199	51.9564	62.6734
Level One	yes	y e s	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
P (rad/sec)	1.1155	1.1153	1.1155	1.1146	1.1133	1.1155	.6844	.7031	.6672	.7017
P.dot	.00002						.03738	.00412	.05793	.00878
Lat Accel (f							.9003	.0992	1.3952	.2116
APPROACH #	25 -F ore 2	75-Aft :	36-Fore	36-Aft !	50-Fore	50-Aft	75 -F ore	75-Aft	100-Fore	100-Aft

Lp .	-4,4867	-2.9311	-4.2643	-2.4334	-2,1274	-4.1138	-1.1936	-2.125	9816	-1.8196
•	17.2738						2.6191	4.6632	2.1557	3.996
da (deg)	10	10	10	10	10	10	15	15	15	15
Time	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8
Phi (deg)	60.7218	56.2320	60.2759	53.6773	51.5947	59.9465	34.8871	44.0978	31.4699	41.8752
Level One	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

.6573

.03105

.6715

.00168

.6717

.00094

P (rad/sec)

Lat Accel (ft/sec^2)

P. dot

.6716

.00133

.02048

.6685

.01007

OF POOR QUALITY

.5074

.07999

1,9263

.4767

.09642

2.3222

.5619

.02663

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.03955

.9525